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PROPERTY VALUATION IN COUNTY ON THE INCREASE

Desired Figures of Former Politician Not Yet Reached.

MAY REDUCE TAX RATE

Possibilities for the Cutting Down of Expenses to the Property Holders.

Although the new triennial assessment for the county, is still far from the $150,000,000 mark, which E. F. Acheson stated should be the amount before the preceeding assessment, it still shows a big increase. The statement just compiled shows the assessment will reach something over $122,000,000. This, compared with the assessment of three years ago, which was $108,000,000 in round numbers, shows an increase of more than $14,000,000. This, while not so great as the increase of the preceding assessment, is perhaps about the natural increase on a conservative basis. Three years ago, when Mr. Acheson was still in political power, he made a desperate effort to increase the assessment to as near the $150,000,000 mark as possible, in order that his county roads scheme might be carried out. With that end in view every effort was brought to bear upon the assessors to place a higher valuation on all property, and through his newspapers they were cajoled and dragooned toward that end. The result fell far short of the desired mark, however, and this year the effort, outside of an apparent attempt to get back at coal corporation, was not nearly so strenuous.

In view of this increase and the big saving in expenditures effected by the county commissioners it is believed that the county tax rate may be reduced this year. The county controller's office will also futher effect a saving in county expenditures, directly by watching all transactions and indirectly by increasing the county income in the way of fees that have hitherto gotten away for lack of supervision. The new assessment which must be equalized will not be burdensome, and it will have a tendency to reduce county and local taxation.

Earnings for Eight Years.

At a meeting of the directors of the Bank of Donora held on December 31st, a dividend of two per cent on the capital stock of $100,000 was declared out of the earnings of the past six months. With the dividend checks, which were mailed the same day, was enclosed a little card, showing the earnings of the bank since it was organized eight years ago. The bank now has a surplus fund of 30,000, undivided profits of $4,000 and has paid out in dividends $22,000, making the total earnings since it began business of $56,000.

Any person wanting good girl who can furnish reference, please call at 630 First street, corner First and Meadow avenue. 120t2p

WANTED—A good, sober, industrious man, a resident of Charleroi, to represent a first-class produce house, in Charleroi and nearby towns. None but reliable parties need answer. Address 164 Charleroi Mail in writing. 119t2

Jack Teitelbaum is transacting business today in Brownsville.

Delay Caused by Cars Off Track on Bridge

Passengers Had to Utilize Old Covered Bridge at Brownsville.

Two cars going off the track on the Brownsville railroad bridge just before the southbound Uniontown evening train arrived was the cause of some confusion last night. The two cars effectually blocked traffic, and people going to Uniontown had to transfer from West Brownsville to Brownsville, walking the old covered wooden bridge to do so. It took until about midnight to get the bridge cleared.

MONESSEN GETS SIGNS

First Town in This Section to Enforce New Automobile Law.

MUST RUN SLOW AND TOOT

Monessen, according to the Independent, is one of the first towns to take advantage of Pennsylvania's new automobile law which conditionally regulates the speed of these vehicles through the streets of a town or borough. This condition is the erection of signs at intervals along thoroughfares, the law requiring drivers to maintain a speed not greater than 12 miles an hour between points compassed by these signs. Without them a speed of 14 miles can be obtained.

The new law was passed by the last Legislature and went into effect January 1st. Through the efforts of Councilman W. D. Hunter, the subject was taken up by the body and the securing of these signs were ordered. Significance is lent the action by the fact that several of the councilmen have cars and their attitude is thus proven to be most commendably active in behalf of the people.

The signs which bear the words, "Danger, Go Slow" in five inch letters have arrived and their erection at an early date will be taken up by the Public Works Department.

Elks to Have Minstrel.

The Monessen lodge of Elks is planning for its annual home talent minstrel which will be produced at that place on Thursday and Friday evening, February 3 and 4. Rehearsals have been under way for some time and this year promises to be the greatest ever.

Appreciate Kindness.

Harry Marley and the father, mother and sister of Mrs. Mary Otila Marley desire to express their heartfelt thanks to their many friends and neighbors for the many deeds of kindness and sympathy tendered them during the sickness and death of Mrs. Mary Otilia Marley, and they are also thankful for the many floral contributions and all muisc rendered at this time They trust that God will richly bless all for the truly charitable acts rendered on that occasion. 121t1p

David Duvall was a visitor yesterday with friends in Coal Centre.

BENTLEYVILLE COUPLE HAS NARROW ESCAPE WHEN HORSE RUNS AWAY

Both are Thrown from Sleigh When it is Overturned, but Fortunately Neither is Injured.

Bart Duvall and Miss Nora Morris, both of Bentlevyile, had a narrow escape from serious injury last night when a horse driven by Duvall pulling their sleigh became frightened and ran away. The affair happened at about 8:30 o'clock. The animal started on Washington avenue apparently from a desire to get ahead of another horse and sleigh. At Fifth street and Washington the sleigh skidded into a mail box and demolished it, then the horse continued on its mad rampage. The sleigh was overturned and both occupants were thrown out. At Fallowfield avenue, the horse slipped and fell, and brought up against the Trust company building. Both Duvall and Miss Morris were slightly hurt, but not to amount to anything. They were taken home in a sleigh of C. C. Holyfield.

HAS EVIDENCE BUT FORGETS HIS NAME

"Citizen" of Charleroi Writes of Bad Joint Said to Exist.

Chief of Police Albright is in receipt of a letter signed "A Citizen" in which startling allegations are made about a house in Charleroi where numerous illegalities are said to be practiced. The letter is to the effect that the place is run comparitively open, and that evidence is not hard to get, at the same time censuring the police for not making arrests. The writer says he has evidence against the place. For some time Chief Albright has been making investigations of the place to which the letter is supposed to refer, but as yet has not been able to secure any conclusive evidence. He is not disposed to pay any attention to the letter, however, unless the person writing it will make himself known.

BOREAS' COLD BLASTS AND DYSPEPTIC FURNACE FORM BAD COMBINATION

Douglas College Forced to Suspend School on Account of Weather.

Douglas Business College students are enjoying a holiday today, owing to an unfortunate combination of the cold breath of Old Boreas and a dispeptic furnace. The holiday was unpremeditated, and declared on the spur of the moment at the opening hour this morning. At this time the thermometer registered 42 degrees, according to of Douglas authorities and students. This was entirely too cool for the comfort of the students while they were pursuing their studies, and Prof. M. Adams, the principal, told them to go home, and by all means stay there until he could get the place warmed up somewhat. Pupils came in by street car and trian after this but it was of no use, the holiday had been declared.

Store Makes a Good Showing

Point Marion Branch of Charleroi Establishment Reports a Good Month.

Miss Gillamine Falise of Charleroi, who has been manager of the Charleroi branch of the co-operative store at Point Marion for the past two months, has made a most excellent showing in the business of the store. During that period the gross profits have been $518.80 and the expenses $353.42, leaving a net profit of $265.38. This is over 10 2-3 percent profit on the amount sold during that period, which was less than two months.

An arrest of two young fellows for fighting was made on Saturday night, at the corner of Sixth street and McKean avenue. Both were drunk. They were fined $1.00 and costs at a hearing before Burgess Risbeck.

LOST—Gentleman's Gold Watch, on Thursday, Friday or Saturday. Liberal reward if returned to 258 Mail office.

CLERK-CARRIER EXAMINATION

Applicants for Position will be Compelled to Take Test.

An examination for the position of clerk-carrier for the postoffice of Charleroi will be held on Saturday, January, 22 probably at one of the school buildings. The examination will commence at 9 o'clock, and will be conducted by William E. McFall, the local secretary. Applications must be in by January 18. The subjects on which the examination will be are the following: Spelling, arithmetic, letter writing, penmanship, and United States geography. The applicants will also be tested on copying from plain copy, and on reading addresses. The age limit is from 18 to 45 years.

MERRYMAKERS TAKE TO WRECKING THINGS AS MEANS OF ENJOYMENT

Russians Congregate in Marianna House and Concertedly Attack Drinkables.

The detachment of the State constabulary stationed at Marianna the first of the present year showed its efficiency Friday night when a band of Russains went on a rampage during their celebration of the Russian Christmas. Troopers McLaughlin, Kane and Dillon answered the riot call that was sent in and after some hair raising experiences succeeded in rounding up of the merry-makers all noticeably under the influence of liquor.

It seems the trouble began to brew when the Russians gathered in one of the company houses and made a concerted attack on a large supply of drinkables which had been laid in. It was not long until a quarrel arose and the burly miners in the house went at the argument hammer and tongs.

The men were taken before Justice of the Peace A. J. Martin, who after collecting $5 to pay for the wrecked furniture let the merrymakers off with a payment of the costs in the case.

Euchre and Dance.

Under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary and A. O. H. Division No. 2 a euchre and dance will be held in Turner Hall, Charleroi, Monday, February 7, for the benefit of St. Jerome's church. This will be the last reception of any of the church societies previous to Lent.

Petition to Open Judgment.

F. H. Ransom has filed a petition in court to open judgment in an action brought against him by H. A. Marxon. A rule has been issued on the plaintiff, returnable January 7, 1910, and all proceedings are stayed until the future order of the court, without prejudice of the lien.

Point Marion Poultry Show.

The second annual Inter-State Poultry Show will be held at Point Marion on January 11, 12 and 13.

Money to Loan.

On first mortgage, $1,000 to $4,000. Property must be well improved and loan not over 50 per cent of value. C. O. Frye, 511 Washington avenue. 121t3

SUCCESSFUL INSTITUTE HELD BY THE TEACHERS

Inspectors Appointed for New County Bridge

Will Act in Conjunction With Men Named From Allegheny County.

Upon petition of John A. Berry, Thomas Hill and W. J. Smith, county commissioners, the court has appointed John F. Cooper, E. C. Niver and Theodore J. Allen inspectors to act in conjunction with inspectors appointed by the court of Allegheny county for the inspection of the new Monongahela bridge and to make a concurrent report thereof to the courts of Washington and Allegheny counties.

COMPANY CENSURED

Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Blamed for Wreck Last Week.

WILL REPORT CONDITIONS

At the coroner's inquest Saturday the headon collision on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad at West Alexander Wednesday of last week when three trainmen met death, the company was censured and a recommendation was made that conditions on the division between Pittsburg and Wheeling be reported to the State Railroad Commission.

Conductors J. C. McCann, and Engineer C. D. Bolton were excused from criminal liability, but were reproved for pulling their freight train from the siding at Claysville when they had but bare running time to reach the West Alexander siding. It was testified that freight crews on the Baltimore and Ohio were sent out practically on their own responsibility in reference to the meeting and passing of passenger trains. General Superintendent E. C Peck of this division of the road was one of the witnesses.

CHORAL CLUB PLANS TO GIVE RECITAL

The Charleroi Choral Society, of which W. S. James is director, is planning for a recital to be given sometime in April, and work has been begun on some of the music. The recital will be something different from anything ever heard here. The program will be adapted to best please a Charleroi audience, selections of the most classical kind to be blended evenly with selections of the lesser calssical nature to well balance the entire list.

A canvas for new singers has been started and it is expected that the society will be greatly increased in numbers. Jospeh Kenyon is the president and Miss Helen Woodhall the secretary. The meeting this week will be held on Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of W. S. James, the regular meeting place, the Methodist church is holding evangelistic services this week.

Many Important Topics Discussed by Instructors in Local Schools.

ANOTHER ONE FOR APRIL

Pragram Similar to That of Saturday will be Rendered—to Interest Parents.

The institute held by the Charleroi teachers at the School Hall Saturday afternoon and evening was remarkably successful, and while there was not the outside interest that might have been shown those who were present gleaned many new ideas in the lines of school work from the various educational talks that were given by the teachers. The afternoon session was held at 2 o'clock. The evening session was at 7:30 o'clock. Music was furnished Prof. I. T. Daniel, the High School Girls Choral Club and two pupils of the lower grades which enlivened the program. The afternoon program was as follows:

AFTEROON SESSION.

Instrumental Solo—Miss Liela Orange.

"Essentials in Arithmetic"—Miss Ida Hugg.

"Teaching Arithmetic in the Grades"—Miss Della Swan.

"Story Telling in Primary Langunge"—Miss Grace Zillafro.

Song—High School Girls Choral Club.

"The Language Problem in the Grades"—Miss Bertha Otler.

"Expression in Reading"—Miss Clara Cooper.

Reading—Miss Mary Lewis.

"Getting the Thought While Reading"—Miss Nelle Hopkins.

"How to Make a Good Speller"—Miss Mayme McGee.

Song—High School Girls Choral Club.

EVENING SESSION.

Piano Solo—Miss Lottie Hough.

"To What Extent Should Supplementary work be Carried in the Grades—Miss Mary Kelley.

"How to Read"—Miss Nora Swan.

"Number Work in the First and Second Grades"—Miss Martha Taggart.

"English Compositions as a Means of Acquiring Power"—Miss Mary Walters.

Vocal Solo—Prof. I. T. Daniel.

"How to Study and Teach Geography"—Mrs. Fannie Fonner.

Reading—Miss Nina Houseman.

"The Mission of Music in the Public Schools"—Prof. I. T. Daniels.

"How to Develop Rapid Readers"—Miss Edith Woodhall.

Piano Solo—Miss Lottie Hough.

Song—"America."

Arrangements are beirg made for another institute similar to the one held Saturday by the teachers, during the month of April. The topics of discussion will be along school work, and special features will be introduced that will be of interest to parents and other.

Received Handsome Medal.

Major Gustav Schaaf of Donora, Sons of Veterans Reserve, has been presented with a handsome gold medal by the commander of the Pennsylvania Division, S. of V., in recognition of his services for the order. It is in pendant form and upon the bar is engraved the Major's name. The pendant is in the shape of a keystone, with crossed sabers, and enamelled letters, "S. of V., Camp 86."

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Jan. 10 in American History

1863—Lyman Beecher, father of the famous family, died; born 1775.

1893—Benjamin Franklin Butler, soldier and statesman, died; born 1818.

1906—Dr. William Rainey Harper, noted Hebrew scholar and president of the University of Chicago, died; born 1856.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 4.48, rises 7:20; moon rises 8 a. m.; 6:43 a. m., eastern time, new moon with the sun in constellation Sagittarius; 7:06 a. m., moon in conjunction with Uranus, passing from west to east of the planet.

Only One Way.

With butter at 43 cents a pound in the local market, pork higher in price than at any time since the Civil War, and all other necessaries of life rising in proportion, investigation by Government officials as to the cause of these abnormal prices are to be instituted. As the Connellsville Courier aptly remarks, there is but one remedy, and that is for the people to farm more—to engage in producing the staples that are commanding such high prices until production out-runs the consumption.

Because of a decrease in the production of farm products the middle man is enabled to secure a larger profit. People who used to rise their own garden truck now purchase it all, and it has to be shipped in from a distance. By this method the middlemen are enabled to control the handling of the produce, and to fix prices to a certain extent. There is no way to prevent this until the supply exceed the demand, and the only way to bring this condition about is for everybody who can to engage in gardening.

State Sewerage.

The plan suggested by the Mail that a State system of sewerage and sewage disposal be inaugurated for the entire Monongahela valley, rural sections as well as towns and boroughs, seems to meet favor elsewhere. In view of the decision of the State Board of Health to prevent the running of sewage into the streams and rivers, every town and city will be obliged to construct a sewage disposal plant.

This matter has been taken up in the vicinity of Pittsburg, where it is suggested that the entire district cooperate in the movement. This scheme could be made to embrace the entire Monongahela valley within the county limits, and a uniform system adopted by the State that would take in rural sections between the towns along the river. This is a project that should command State aid the same as the construction of higwhays. Such a uniform system of sewarage and disposal ought to be inaugurated in every important water shed, and the people should insist upon State aid and supervision.

A Promising Outlook.

The big gain in coal lockages from the fourth pool last year over those of the preceding year, is but one of the many indications of the rising tide of prosperity. While the traffic did not reach that of the banner year, 1907, the large gain is indicitive of the better employment of labor that has prevailed during the last year. In spite of the increased factivity on all sides, some branches of trade were slow to respond to the reaction, and this gave rise to the feeling that business recovery was more apparent than real. This, however, has been dispelled by the gains in bank deposits, railroad traffic and the river traffic just shown.

Locally the coming year should be one of great industrial and commercial promise. The cold, winter weather has stimulated trade in seasonable goods, and merchants generally are optimistic as to the future. There is a general belief that the mining scale will be amicably adjusted, and that the coming season will enable most of the business interests to recoup themselves from the effects of the depression of the past.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

The price of diamonds has advanced along with those of pork, flour and other staples. Hereafter girls owning April as their birth-month may not be so dead sure of getting nice rings for their birthdays.

Mayor Gaynor of New York is gaining a reputation right off for making freak appointments. The strange part of it is that he actually shows some good sense in his freakishness.

What good does a Carnegie medal do a man after he's dead?

An old story is just as good as a new one if the man telling it can make the one hearing it only think so.

Insubordination may now be termed Pinchotness, and treated like a disease.

The lecturer who said that the pulpit is obsolete is probably angry because he cannot draw a crowd to hear his oratorial spasms.

Mrs T. P. O'Connor says that a suffragist is a persuader and a suffragette is a soldier. Inasmuch as both get arrested occasionally, it would doubtless be better to stick to the sure phrase "suffragerre."

In Atlantic City a magistrate and his constable were caught in a raid on gamblers There will probably be justice dealt out to the justice now.

Will some one kindly inform us how the lid is now at Atlantic City? We haven't heard of it for some time.

If Americans expect to find the South Pole they had better get a move on. Lieutenant Shackelton of Great Britian has announced that he will hike for that territory as soon as possible.

ALLENPORT JUSTICE OF THE PEACE DIES

Allen Byles, a late justice of the peace at Allenport, died at his home in Allenport on Saturday, aged about 50 years. The funeral was held on Sunday from the late home. Interment was in Mt. Tabor cemetery. The deceased who was a well known citizen is survived by his wife and two children.

Temporary Clerk.

County Recorder J. C. Sutherland has announced that Miss Mary B. Page of Clarion, would at once take up her duties in the recorder's office as temporary index clerk. Miss Page is an expert in this work and has for ten years been associated with G. S. White of Franklin, the inventor of the system of indexing used in this county for the past ten years. Miss Page will remain in the recorder's office until the selection of a permanent index clerk has been fully determined.

Booze Sellers Sentenced.

Mike Hortis, Henry Burren alias Brun, and George Gourand, all of the Westland and Houston section, recently rounded up for illegal liquor selling, entered pleas of guilty Friday afternoon. They were each directed to pay the costs, fine of $500 and to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period of three months.

A PRECOCIOUS DOG.

The Wonderful Feats He Performed For Joseph Jefferson.

There is a story that is told of Joseph Jefferson and the boys that had to do with the training of dogs. It appears that there was a gentleman in New Iberia who owned a very intelligent animal, and he was most anxious for Mr. Jefferson to see an example of his prowess. Accordingly he brought him to the island one day and put him through his various tricks, which were remarkably clever.

When the performance was over Mr Jefferson expressed his appreciation and wonder at what the dog had done, but added that he had an animal that was even more remarkable. As the gentleman seemed to be in some doubt as to the truth of this statement the dog, a dejected, stupid looking beast, was produced, and Mr. Jefferson ordered him to go into his room and bring him a shoe.

Obediently the dog trotted into the house to presently reappear with the shoe in his mouth. Taking it from him, Mr. Jefferson patted him upon the head and told him to return to his room and bring him the slipper for his left foot.

"And, mind you, bring the left one," he cautioned as the animal trotted away.

When he returned in a moment with the left slipper the gentleman could hardly express his astonishment, but Mr. Jefferson waved the matter indifferently aside.

"It is nothing," said he. "However, we will now try something a little more difficult." Then, turning to the dog, he spoke to him very slowly and carefully. "Now go into the library," said he, "look upon the bottom shelf on the right hand side of the room and you will see a set of Dickens. Bring me the second volume. Remember, now, the second volume; not the first or the third, but the second."

When the dog returned in a few moments with the second volume in his mouth the gentleman retired in the utmost confusion, declaring that in comparison with such a prodigy his own much vaunted animal was little better than an imbecile.

And I may add that Mr. Jefferson enjoyed the joke fully as much as did the boys, who, according to a prearranged plan, had placed each successive article in the prodigy's mouth. As to the prodigy, his one accomplishment consisted of trotting into the house and trotting out of it again.—Nevil G. Henshaw in Bohemian.

Table Mountain.

At Capetown, in South Africa, where the traveler usually has the first glimpse of the continent, is Table mountain, a magnificent natural curiosity which rises behind the city to the height of almost 4,000 feet and has a level top about three square miles in area. Its resemblance to a huge table is so marked that the dense clouds which collect at times around the summit are referred to as the tablecloth. A pretty little flower which is found nowhere else on earth grows on top, while on the northern side of its base is a similarly rare tree, popularly called the silver leaf tree.

The Slow One.

"Would you," he said after they had been sitting in the dark for a long time, "be angry with me if I were to kiss you?"

She was silent for a moment. Then in tones the meaning of which was not to be mistaken she replied:

"Why do you suppose I turned down the light an hour and a half ago?"

And yet he wondered, poor fool, how other young men who had started far in the rear were able to pass him in the race of life.

A Chronic Grumbler.

Charles Lamb tells of a chronic grumbler who always complained at whist because he had so few trumps. By some artifice his companions managed to fix the cards so that when he dealt he got the whole thirteen, hoping to extort some expression of satisfaction, but he only looked more wretched than ever as he examined his hand.

"Well, Tom," said Lamb, "haven't you trumps enough this time?"

"Yes," grunted Tom, "but I've no other cards."

Not Desired.

Having at enormous pains got her length, breadth and thickness about right, the woman heaved a sigh of relief. "No fourth dimension in mine, if you please!" she exclaimed, with unmistakable feeling.

Some aver that the feminine mind is not attracted by metaphysics anyway!—Puck.

Precedent.

"Will that young man ever go home?" demanded the irritated head of the house.

"I guess so, father," replied the paterfamilias. "He always has gone."—Washington Herald.

A Good Guess.

"Does your father know you smoke, little boy?" asked the inquisitive stranger.

"I guess not," replied the bad boy. "He doesn't lock up his cigars."—Detroit Free Press.

A Useless Rule.

He (teaching her bridge)—When in doubt it's a good rule to play trumps. She—But that's just it; when I'm in doubt I don't know what the trump is. —Philadelphia Record.

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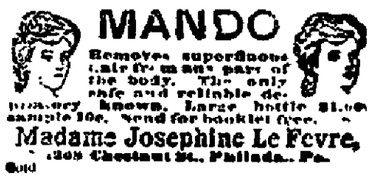

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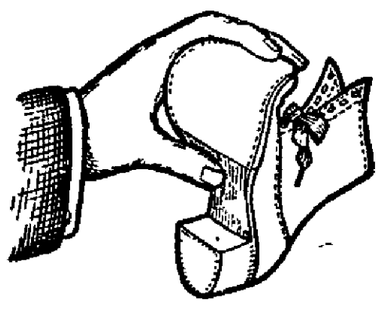

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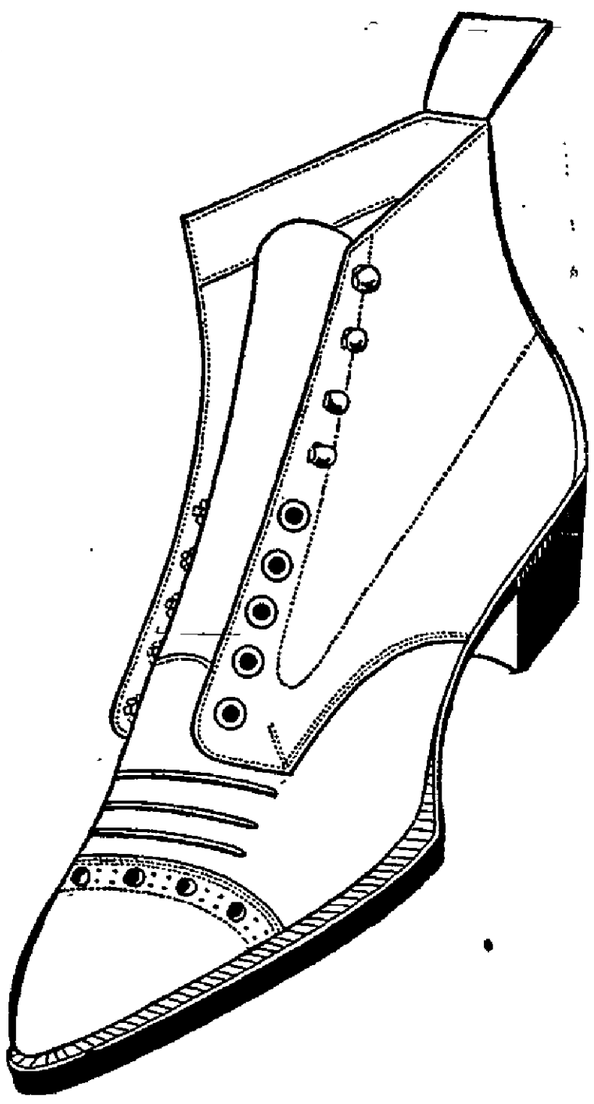

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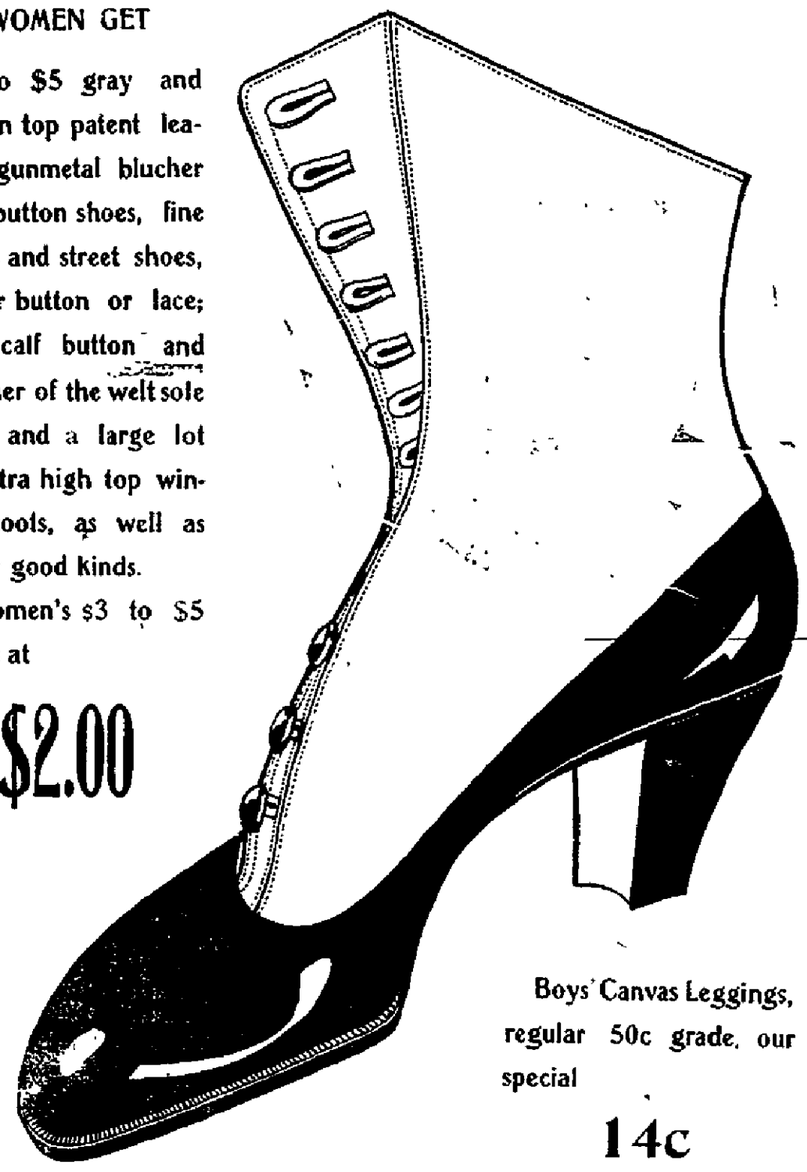

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THE RUSSIAN MODEL

By EDMOND COMPTON.

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Spencer Fiske at twenty-one, though the possessor of a fortune, did not propose to lead an idle life. He laid out a European trip for himself to last one year, at the end of which time he would return, spend three years in the study of the law, after which he would practice the profession for the rest of the period allotted him on earth The most practical part of his scheme was to marry at the time he began his work. He believed in marriage as necessary to a complete life and that it should be entered upon with one's judgment well in hand—not dazed by the glamour of the senses.

Six months after forming his plan he found himself one summer morning in St. Petersburg dawdling through a picture gallery, when he came upon a painting the subject of which was a village festival in Russian rural life. The central figure was a girl apparently about fifteen, with beautiful blue eyes, light hair and a delicious smile on two lips nestling between dimples.

Fiske gazed long on the scene, taking it in as a whole and in part, his eyes always returning to the central figure. He went to other rooms, but returned before leaving the gallery to gaze upon the laughing face of innocence. Nor was this all; he returned every day for a week—sometimes twice a day, each time to gaze upon the face that charmed him. One day while thus engaged a man stepped up to him and said in French:

"You seem pleased with my work."

"Your work?"

"Yes; I painted it."

"Where did you find your model for the central figure?"

"In Siberia. I am a traveler as well as painter. I found her in a small village. She is the daughter of a peasant."

A week later Fiske was on a train bound for Siberia. A desire to see the original of the festival scene had taken possession of him, and he saw no reason why it should not be gratified Reaching the village, he sought the girl and found her in a dooryard spinning. She had grown a year older than when the picture was painted, with a slight budding of her beauty. Fiske knew only a few phrases of Russian, but they sufficed to convey to her the information that he had seen her face on canvas and had come to view the original.

However practical a young man may be, there is one thing about which he is usually stupidly impractical—a young girl's heart Fiske was insensible of the effect his statement was likely to produce. He was often more stupid than this. He did not know that he had fallen in love with a pretty face. But he found it out all on a sudden, for the girl told him that he had arrived in time to see her married. There was in this wireless message something like the clutching of cold fingers about his heart. With his lips he told her that he was fortunate; with his eyes he told her that he had met with a sudden disappointment. Then she told him that the match had been arranged by her parents.

A few days later he went to view the ceremony. He found the bride in a tent surrounded by her girl friends On asking where was the groom he was told that he would soon appear, and it was further explained that as soon as the bride saw him she would run away. The groom would follow and must catch her before he could be permitted to marry her. This was the custom in that part of Siberia.

Presently a young man was seen approaching. The girls told the bride that the groom was coming and, leaving the tent, she ran like a fawn to elude him. The man found himself tripped and balked at every turn. Fiske in order to get a better view went up on to a rise in the ground. The girl was giving her intended mate a hard run. The American looked on with a wildly throbbing pulse, and once when the lover was about to grasp the prize his heart stood still. With a quick turn she avoided her pursuer and came running toward the point where Fiske was standing. As she passed him she looked at him. What her eyes said no one except the two knew, but they must have said something of importance, for Fiske gave a quick turn, advanced a few steps, stopped, then suddenly started after the beautiful fugitive.

There was a clamor among the lookers-on, but the American did not hear it. The groom, seeing another chasing his bride, stopped a moment in wonder, then went on as if a fury was spurring him. The girl looked back and, seeing herself doubly pursued, sped on as if on the wings of the wind. One would have thought she sought to elude them both. Fiske, being the fresher of the two, soon gained. Then when the girl saw that he led she lagged and in a few minutes more dropped into his arms.

Thus it was that Spencer Fiske, who had laid out a life plan in which marriage was to be entered upon with circumspection, found himself the possessor of a Russian peasant girl whom he had caught in a race with the man to whom she was betrothed.

The pair were at once surrounded by several hundred people, all talking at once, the father of the girl more furiously than all the rest. The intended groom disappeared. Finally an interpreter was secured, and Fiske proposed that the girl be sent to school for three years at his expense. The proposition was accepted, and at the end of the term he married her at the time he had intended taking a wife on the common sense plan.

BURMA CIGARETTES.

One Will Last a Smoker, or Maybe an Entire Family, a Day.

The American engineer home for a visit from Burma accepted a proffered cigarette and rolled it gently between his fingers.

"At the risk of seeming ungrateful," he said, "I rise to remark that the specimen you have so kindly tendered me strikes my acquired sense of the fitness of such things as highly inadequate. Merely as to size, I mean.

"The cigarette of Burma is a remarkable contrivance, ranging in length from a foot to a foot and a half, an inch in diameter and not unlike a giant firecracker in general shape. If composed wholly of tobacco it would be deadly. As a matter of fact, it contains very little tobacco. It is made of cornhusk or leaves of innocuous plants rolled tight and with shreds of the divine weed between the layers. One will last a smoker for a day, frequently an entire family for a day.

"The women of Burma, the most handsome and intelligent of their sex in the east, smoke these cigarettes habitually. It is something of a shock when the visitor first sees a pretty woman puffing at one of these enormous cylinders. It is still more of a shock if she is carrying a youngster astride her hip in approved native fashion. Between puffs she offers her cigarette to the child, who never refuses the invitation.

"As to effect, the Burmese cigarettes are practically harmless. As to flavor, they are insipid and unpleasant."—New York Herald.

RISEN FROM THE TOMB.

The Romance of Benedello Marcello, the Venetian Composer.

Benedello Marcello, one of the most famous Venetian composers, fell in love with a beautiful girl named Leonora Manfrotti, who married Paolo Serenzo, a Venetian noble. She died a short time after her marriage, a victim to the harsh and jealous treatment of her husband.

Her body was laid out in state in the church of Wei Frari, and her lover actually succeeded in stealing the corpse and conveying it to a ruined crypt in one of the islands, and here he sat day and night by his lost love, singing and playing to her, as though by the force of his art he could recall her to life.

Leonora had a twin sister, Eliade, who was so like her that her closest friends could scarcely distinguish them. One day Eliade heard a singer in a gondola singing so exquisitely that she traced the gondola to the deserted island, and there she learned later the fate of her sister's corpse and the identity of Marcello. Aided by a servant, Eliade substituted herself for her sister's body, and when Marcello returned and called Leonora to awake, he did not ask in vain, for apparently she rose alive from the coffin. Marcello when he found out the delusion was quite satisfied and married Eliade, but his happiness was short lived, as he died a few years afterward.—London Telegraph.

Whoever Loves Is Never Old.

When life has been well spent age is a loss of what it can well spare—muscular strength, organic instincts, gross bulk and works that belong to these. But the central wisdom which was old in infancy was young in fourscore years and, dropping off obstructions, leaves in happy subjects the mind purified and wise. I have heard that whoever loves is in no condition old. I have heard that whenever the name of man is spoken the doctrine of immortality is announced. It cleaves to his constitution. The mode of it baffles our wit, and no whisper comes to us from the other side. But the inference from the working of intellect, having knowledge, having skill—at the end of life just ready to be born—affirms the inspiration of affection and of the moral sentiment.—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

A Mother's Troubles.

The mother of a large family fell ill and died, and the attending physician reported that she died of starvation. It was incredible, but he proved it. The woman had to get the dinner and then spend the next two hours in waiting on the family and getting the children to the table. It was never on record that she got all of them there at the same time, and they came straggling in all the way from potatoes to pie. By the time she had wiped the last face her own hunger had left her and she had no desire to eat. Chickens, the doctor said, come running at feed time, but children don't. A hen has a better chance to eat than a mother.—Atchison Globe.

A Trying Time.

"Colonel," asked the beautiful girl, "when was the most trying moment of your life?"

"It was when I went to my wife's father for the purpose of asking him to let me have her. He was very deaf, and I had to explain the matter before twenty clerks."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Particular.

Patience—Peggy is terribly afraid of microbes.

Patrice—Funny she'll allow any of the young men to kiss her.

"Oh, she'll only kiss by telephone!"—Yonkers Statesman.

Tactful Tactics.

Miss Saphron—Do you sell anything to restore the complexion? Chemist—Restore! You mean preserve, miss. (Deal to the amount of 17s. 6d. immediately executed.)—London Tatler.

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THAT'S THE PRESENT SITUATION

We've considered the matter well and have decided that it will be good business on our part to close out every shoe in the store at some price. This is an ad you can trust from a store you can trust, so get into line for your share of the good things—Read!

$1.50 Men's Working or Dress Shoes, clearance price	98c
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$1.50 Ladies' Shoes in dongola bluchers, clearance price	98c
$2.00 Ladies' Shoes all styles and sizes, clearance price	$1.48
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Boys', Misses' and Children's Shoes sold at the same cut prices	
All Felt Slippers and Warm Lined Shoes cut 33 per cent. to 50 per cent.	
60c Ladies' Rubbers, clearance price	39c
50c Misses' Rubbers, clearance price	33c
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90c Men's Rubbers, clearance price	65c

Come in and learn how far we can stretch dollars during this Great January Clearance Sale.

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LOCAL NOTES

Brief Mention of People and Events in this Community.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brosier of Marianna were visitors with friends in Charleroi Saturday evening, and attended the teachers institute held on Saturday at School Hall. Mrs. Brosier was formerly Miss Nevada Iams, a teacher in the Charleroi schools.

Mrs. John Redlingshafer and children spent Sunday in California with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McKean and children spent Sunday in Pittsburg with relatives.

Mrs. E. M. Chalfant and Mrs J. L. Reeves were in Brownsville Sunday to see Miss Rebecca Chalfant, who is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lambert and daughters Hazeldel and Alberta spent Sunnday in Pittsburg with friends.

Logan Wingett was a Sunday visitor in Brownsville with friends.

Cardon Jimeson, after spending the holiday vacation with his parents, Mr and Mrs. W. W. Jimeson of Lincoln avenue, left this morning for Mercersburg, where he is a student at the Mercersburg Academy.

Henry McDermott went to Homestead this morning on a business trip.

Jospeh Henrokin of Chicago, Ill, has come to Charleroi where he will be employed.

Mr. and Mrs J. E. Abell, L. H. Reevs, and son Henry were in Charleroi yesterday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar R. Abell of Crest avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Herman of Girard, Ohio, after a visit of several days here with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hepler, of Washington avenue, left today for their home.

Charles W. Hepler of Washington spent Sunday in Charleroi with his brother, J. A. Hepler.

Elizabeth W. Davis, 10 month old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Davis of 1107 Meadow avenue, died this morning at 7:30 o'clock. The funeral will be held from the residence on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock conducted by Rev. G. G. Skinner of the A. M. E. church. Interment in the Charleroi cemetery.

Good Bill Promised.

This week at the Star Theatre a big bill is promised. The first three days Wood's Trio a big musical act and the Cook Duo, darkey and maid will appear. Both are said to be exceptionally fine.

This Small World.

"About ten years ago, when I was living in a village in Illinois," said the red headed man, "I had business to call me to London. My getting ready for the trip was the talk of the place, and a day or two before I started I was visited by a farmer who was an Englishman and who said:

"'If you are going to London would you mind seeing my brother Jim and telling him his brother Tom over here is well and doing well and wants him to write oftener?'

"'What is your brother's other name?' I asked.

"'Smith, sir—Jim Smith.'

"I told him I would keep an eye out for the Smith family, and he thanked me and withdrew. In due time I arrived in London from Liverpool, and as I took a cab at the depot I queried of the driver:

"'Do you happen to know any one in London named Smith?'

"'I'm a Smith myself, sir,' he replied.

"'But a Jim Smith.'

"'I'm a Jim Smith.'

"'But a Jim Smith who has got a brother Tom in America.'

"'I've got one, sir.'

"'But a Jim Smith whose brother Tom in America is a farmer in Illinois and wants to be written to oftener.'

"'That's me again, sir, and here's the proof of it. I'm just going to mail him this 'ere letter.'

"And bang me if he didn't show me a letter ready for mailing and prove his case on the spot. He was the first man I had spoken to in London, and he was the Jim Smith I had been told to look out for."—Chattanooga Times

Special Time.

An Ludlow firm, Higgins & Dodd, finding that there were twelve letters in their name, placed a great clock over their door with the letters on its face instead of numerals.

They waited anxiously for days, weeks, hoping for some return, but not a soul took notice of the clock. At last, amid excitement behind the office window, a man was seen to halt in the street and gaze at the clock, puzzled.

Slowly he came to the door, entered and drawled, "Say, is it half past Higgins or a quarter to Dodd?"—T. P.'s Weekly.

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NOISY WEDDINGS.

Boisterous Preludes to Marriages In Old Rothenburg.

They love music in Rothenburg, and it is an incident of most functions, public and private. In front of the rathhaus, when wedding formalities are going on inside, hired musicians loudly drum and trumpet, whereat the people come running from all directions, for a wedding is not carried on with the quietness which would please the shy and retiring. Marriage is a sacrament neither lightly nor secretly entered into.

On the night before the wedding it is considered de regueur to hurl old pots and pans against the house of the bride with boisterous good wishes, and without these delicate attentions a bride would really feel slighted. Her two best friends wait upon her during the din and give her a wreath and a veil and some verses composed in her honor, and that the verses are curiously like those offered to brides in the past, except for necessary change of name, is not at all a drawback. Weddings are usually on Tuesdays, and they take from 7 o'clock in the morning till 4 or 5 o'clock in the afternoon, including the time at the town hall. At the home there will likely be a play given in which are set forth the supposed foibles of the bride and groom, and some friend, masquerading as a gypsy, will come in and give whatever kind of prophecy best accords with his wits.—Robert Shackleton in Harper's Magazine.

MEXICANS' STAFF OF LIFE.

The Tortilla Is Their Bread—Frijoles Are Boiled Beans.

The tortilla is the ancient Indian bread of Mexico. Its only constituent is Indian corn (maize), which the women soak in limewater until the kernels are at the point of bursting, then wash thoroughly until it is free from lime, when they grind it by rubbing it on a large block of stone, especially cut for the purpose, with a smaller stone which they hold in their hands.

The operation looks very much like rubbing clothes on a washboard and is a laborious and tedious one. The lime renders the corn dough adhesive like wheat flour dough, and it is easily patted between the hands into cakes the size and shape of an ordinary griddlecake and is baked upon a thin stone griddle. Though no salt or leaven is added, fresh tortillas are exceedingly palatable.

The one other food mainstay is frijoles—ordinary beans. They are boiled to a mush and with a liberal quantity of lard are warmed as required in a flat earthen dish that answers for a frying pan. The very poor people do not always have the luxury of frijoles and when they do have them cannot always afford the lard.—New York Sun.

YANKEE WIT.

Lincoln Said He Always Admired and Coveted It.

Alban Jasper Conant, the artist, in telling of his experience in painting a portrait of Lincoln said:

"Yankee wit was mentioned at one of the sittings, and Lincoln said, 'That is something I always admired and coveted.' Some one said, 'Why, you certainly have the credit of possessing it in large measure.' 'No,' said Lincoln, 'not the genuine. I don't remember that I ever got credit for it but once.' Then he told how, hurrying once through a courtroom, he was ordered by the judge to defend a prisoner accused of assault and battery. A witness was just testifying that the complainant had been fought all over a field. 'On cross examination,' said Lincoln, 'I asked him, "How large was that field—twenty acres?" "No," he replied. "Ten acres?" "No." "Were there two acres?" I persisted. "Yes, just about two," he agreed. "And you saw him fight this man all over the field?" pointing to the prisoner. "Yes, sir." "Well, sir," I said, "did you ever see a fight before that turned out so little to the acre?" The witness admitted, with a grin, that he had not. The judge smiled, and the jury snickered. So, saying that as this crop was so poor it did not seem worth further cultivation, I submitted the case. Some of my friends said it was Yankee wit, but that was the only time I ever got credit for it. I wish I had it.'"—McClure's Magazine.

A Cowboy Spider.

"Taking aside," said the nature student, "there is in New Zealand a cowboy spider. This creature throws a coil of web like a lasso over its prey's head, then adds more and more coils and when the prey is bound hand and foot devours it.

"There is a Borneo spider that in the spring days plays a fiddle. It is a common thing for a lovesick spider to dance before his girl, but this Borneo boy, my drawing his arm across his tum produces a sweet, clear note. Whenever he sees a good looking young lady spider he sings and plays her a tune, hoping to win her by music."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Miners' Freedom From Cancer.

"Miners never have cancer. In thirty-five years' practice in a mining town I haven't had a single cancerous patient."

"And to what, doctor, do you impute this immunity?"

"Miners are singularly cleanly. They bathe every day. They rarely smoke. They are a temperate and regular set. Above all"—

The physician smiled grimly.

"Miners," he said, "die young. Cancer is an old age disease. And there really is the reason of the miner's cancerous immunity."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

RELIGIOUS THOUGHT.

Gems Gleaned From the Teachings of All Denominations.

To be right with God is the same in earth that it is in heaven, whatever and wherever heaven may be.—Rev. Amos Judson Bailey, Reformed, Brooklyn.

Expectancy.

One of the principal elements of faith that makes for health as well as character is the mood of expectancy.—Rev. P. P. Woner, Congregationalist, Minneapolis, Minn.

Enjoying Divine Communion.

As long as any Christian walks in loving obedience to every commandment of his Saviour he will enjoy communion with his God.—Rev. C. H. Dunlap, Presbyterian, Avalon, Pa.

Loving Attitude.

A loving attitude toward men will never be guilty either of contemptuous criticism or of irresponsible indifference. The world is ever envious of success and contemptuous of failure.—Rev. I. P. Johnson, Presbyterian, Minneapolis, Minn.

Responsibility to God.

It is the thought of God, the conscious recognition of responsibility to God, that alone gives peace of heart and happiness to the individual and stability and greatness to the nation.—Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, Congregationalist, Brooklyn.

One of God's Finest Gifts.

A true friend is one of God's finest gifts. To him we reveal the secrets of our heart. When trouble comes we look most eagerly for his coming. When some new great joy has come within our experience we go first to tell it and share it with him.—Rev. Dr. Robert Kent, Congregationalist, Brooklyn.

Real Power of Christ's Resurrection.

Whenever a human soul goes to seek a crucified Jesus and finds instead a risen Saviour the event of Easter day is repeated and the joy of the angelic message is shared once again. The real power of the resurrection lies in the spiritual experience, not in the historical fact.—Rev. Percy Trafford Olton, Episcopalian, Greene N. Y.

Life's True Master and Guide.

Love is the true master and guide of life, and it is but a reflection of the infinite and eternal love, whose supremest manifestation was on Calvary in the cross of the Man of Sorrows. Trusting in that love is to find assurance of a brightness beyond which the shadows of the tomb cannot dim.—Rev. Dr. Samuel Van Vranken Holmes, Presbyterian, Buffalo.

The Truly Happy.

Happiness is not found where the world has always thought it was, in material things, in the alteration or the mitigation of earthly conditions, but in heavenly dispositions. It is the poor in spirit, the meek, the pure hearted, the earnest seeker after righteousness or the patient sufferer for it who are the truly happy.—Rev. Colin Campbell Walker, Episcopalian, Brooklyn.

Religious Charity.

Religious sentiment is very beautiful, but religious sense is much more valuable and religious charity better yet. It is folly to talk of the negligence and improvidence of the poor while they feel the pangs of want. Any man is more ready to listen to good sense when he has had enough to eat. Feed them first, then talk—if you must.—Rev. John B. Clayton, Baptist, Washington.

Man's Need.

What man wants is not the treatment of the lost coin that puts him into circulation in the economy of the world, not the treatment of the lost sheep that folds him in the higher human sympathies, but the treatment of the lost son that brings him back to the open arms of God, to the sonship of the Maker and an heir, a joint heir, with Jesus Christ.—Rev. Dr. Gardner S. Eldridge, Methodist, Brooklyn.

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PROPERTY VALUATION IN COUNTY ON THE INCREASE

Desired Figures of Former Politician Not Yet Reached.

MAY REDUCE TAX RATE

Possibilities for the Cutting Down of Expenses to the Property Holders.

Although the new triennial assessment for the county, is still far from the $150,000,000 mark, which E. F. Acheson stated should be the amount before the preceeding assessment, it still shows a big increase. The statement just compiled shows the assessment will reach something over $122,000,000. This, compared with the assessment of three years ago, which was $108,000,000 in round numbers, shows an increase of more than $14,000,000. This, while not so great as the increase of the preceding assessment, is perhaps about the natural increase on a conservative basis. Three years ago, when Mr. Acheson was still in political power, he made a desperate effort to increase the assessment to as near the $150,000,000 mark as possible, in order that his county roads scheme might be carried out. With that end in view every effort was brought to bear upon the assessors to place a higher valuation on all property, and through his newspapers they were cajoled and dragooned toward that end. The result fell far short of the desired mark, however, and this year the effort, outside of an apparent attempt to get back at coal corporation, was not nearly so strenuous.

In view of this increase and the big saving in expenditures effected by the county commissioners it is believed that the county tax rate may be reduced this year. The county controller's office will also futher effect a saving in county expenditures, directly by watching all transactions and indirectly by increasing the county income in the way of fees that have hitherto gotten away for lack of supervision. The new assessment which must be equalized will not be burdensome, and it will have a tendency to reduce county and local taxation.

Earnings for Eight Years.

At a meeting of the directors of the Bank of Donora held on December 31st, a dividend of two per cent on the capital stock of $100,000 was declared out of the earnings of the past six months. With the dividend checks, which were mailed the same day, was enclosed a little card, showing the earnings of the bank since it was organized eight years ago. The bank now has a surplus fund of 30,000, undivided profits of $4,000 and has paid out in dividends $22,000, making the total earnings since it began business of $56,000.

Any person wanting good girl who can furnish reference, please call at 630 First street, corner First and Meadow avenue. 120t2p

WANTED—A good, sober, industrious man, a resident of Charleroi, to represent a first-class produce house, in Charleroi and nearby towns. None but reliable parties need answer. Address 164 Charleroi Mail in writing. 119t2

Jack Teitelbaum is transacting business today in Brownsville.

Delay Caused by Cars Off Track on Bridge

Passengers Had to Utilize Old Covered Bridge at Brownsville.

Two cars going off the track on the Brownsville railroad bridge just before the southbound Uniontown evening train arrived was the cause of some confusion last night. The two cars effectually blocked traffic, and people going to Uniontown had to transfer from West Brownsville to Brownsville, walking the old covered wooden bridge to do so. It took until about midnight to get the bridge cleared.

MONESSEN GETS SIGNS

First Town in This Section to Enforce New Automobile Law.

MUST RUN SLOW AND TOOT

Monessen, according to the Independent, is one of the first towns to take advantage of Pennsylvania's new automobile law which conditionally regulates the speed of these vehicles through the streets of a town or borough. This condition is the erection of signs at intervals along thoroughfares, the law requiring drivers to maintain a speed not greater than 12 miles an hour between points compassed by these signs. Without them a speed of 14 miles can be obtained.

The new law was passed by the last Legislature and went into effect January 1st. Through the efforts of Councilman W. D. Hunter, the suoject was taken up by the body and the securing of these signs were ordered. Significance is lent the action by the fact that several of the councilmen have cars and their attitude is thus proven to be most commendably active in behalf of the people.

The signs which bear the words. "Danger, Go Slow" in five inch letters have arrived and their erection at an early date will be taken up by the Public Works Department.

Elks to Have Minstrel.

The Monessen lodge of Elks is planning for its annual home talent minstrel which will be produced at that place on Thursday and Friday evening, February 3 and 4. Rehearsals have been under way for some time and this year promises to be the greatest ever.

Appreciate Kindness.

Harry Marley and the father, mother and sister of Mrs. Mary Otila Marley desire to express their heartfelt thanks to their many friends and neighbors for the many deeds of kindness and sympathy tendered them during the sickness and death of Mrs. Mary Otilia Marley, and they are also thankful for the many floral contributions and all muisc rendered at this time They trust that God will richly bless all for the truly charitable acts rendered on that occasion. 121t1p

David Duvall was a visitor yesterday with friends in Coal Centre.

BENTLEYVILLE COUPLE HAS NARROW ESCAPE WHEN HORSE RUNS AWAY

Both are Thrown from Sleigh When it is Overturned, but Fortunately Neither is Injured.

Bart Duvall and Miss Nora Morris, both of Bentlevyile, had a narrow escape from serious injury last night when a horse driven by Duvall pulling their sleigh became frightened and ran away. The affair happened at about 8:30 o'clock. The animal started on Washington avenue apparently from a desire to get ahead of another horse and sleigh. At Fifth street and Washington the sleigh skidded into a mail box and demolished it, then the horse continued on its mad rampage. The sleigh was overturned and both occupants were thrown out. At Fallowfield avenue, the horse slipped and fell, and brought up against the Trust company building. Both Duvall and Miss Morris were slightly hurt, but not to amount to anything. They were taken home in a sleigh of C. C. Holyfield.

HAS EVIDENCE BUT FORGETS HIS NAME

"Citizen" of Charleroi Writes of Bad Joint Said to Exist.

Chief of Police Albright is in receipt of a letter signed "A Citizen" in which startling allegations are made about a house in Charleroi where numerous illegalities are said to be practiced. The letter is to the effect that the place is run comparitively open, and that evidence is not hard to get, at the same time censuring the police for not making arrests. The writer says he has evidence against the place. For some time Chief Albright has been making investigations of the place to which the letter is supposed to refer, but as yet has not been able to secure any conclusive evidence. He is not disposed to pay any attention to the letter, however, unless the person writing it will make himself known.

BOREAS' COLD BLASTS AND DYSPEPTIC FURNACE FORM BAD COMBINATION

Douglas College Forced to Suspend School on Account of Weather.

Douglas Business College students are enjoying a holiday today, owing to an unfortunate combination of the cold breath of Old Boreas and a dispeptic furnace. The holiday was unpremeditated, and declared on the spur of the moment at the opening hour this morning. At this time the thermometer registered 42 degrees, according to of Douglas authorities and students. This was entirely too cool for the comfort of the students while they were pursuing their studies, and Prof. M. Adams, the principal, told them to go home, and by all means stay there until he could get the place warmed up somewhat. Pupils came in by street car and trian after this but it was of no use, the holiday had been declared.

Store Makes a Good Showing

Point Marion Branch of Charleroi Establishment Reports a Good Month.

Miss Gillamine Falise of Charleroi, who has been manager of the Charleroi branch of the co-operative store at Point Marion for the past two months, has made a most excellent showing in the business of the store. During that period the gross profits have been $518.80 and the expenses $353.42, leaving a net profit of $265.33. This is over 10 2-3 percent profit on the amount sold during that period, which was less than two months.

An arrest of two young fellows for fighting was made on Saturday night, at the corner of Sixth street and McKean avenue. Both were drunk. They were fined $1.00 and costs at a hearing before Burgess Risbeck.

LOST—Gentleman's Gold Watch, on Thursday, Friday or Saturday. Liberal reward if returned to 258 Mail office.

CLERK-CARRIER EXAMINATION

Applicants for Position will be Compelled to Take Test.

An examination for the position of clerk-carrier for the postoffice of Charleroi will be held on Saturday, January, 22 probably at one of the school buildings. The examination will commence at 9 o'clock, and will be conducted by William E. McFall, the local secretary. Applications must be in by January 18. The subjects on which the examination will be are the following: Spelling, arithmetic, letter writing, penmanship, and United States geography. The applicants will also be tested on copying from plain copy, and on reading addresses. The age limit is from 18 to 45 years.

MERRYMAKERS TAKE TO WRECKING THINGS AS MEANS OF ENJOYMENT

Russians Congregate in Marianna House and Concertedly Attack Drinkables.

The detachment of the State constabulary stationed at Marianna the first of the present year showed its efficiency Friday night when a band of Russains went on a rampage during their celebration of the Russian Christmas. Troopers McLaughlin, Kane and Dillon answered the riot call that was sent in and after some hair raising experiences succeeded in rounding up of the merry-makers all noticeably under the influence of liquor.

It seems the trouble began to brew when the Russians gathered in one of the company houses and made a concerted attack on a large supply of drinkables which had been laid in. It was not long until a quarrel arose and the burly miners in the house went at the argument hammer and tongs.

The men were taken before Justice of the Peace A. J. Martin, who after collecting $5 to pay for the wrecked furniture let the merrymakers off with a payment of the costs in the case.

Euchre and Dance.

Under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary and A. O. H. Division No. 2 a euchre and dance will be held in Turner Hall, Charleroi, Monday, February 7, for the benefit of St. Jerome's church. This will be the last reception of any of the church societies previous to Lent.

Petition to Open Judgment.

F. H. Ransom has filed a petition in court to open judgment in an action brought against him by H. A. Marxon. A rule has been issued on the plaintiff, returnable January 7, 1910, and all proceedings are stayed until the future order of the court, without prejudice of the lien.

Point Marion Poultry Show.

The second annual Inter-State Poultry Show will be held at Point Marion on January 11, 12 and 13.

Money to Loan.

On first mortgage, $1,000 to $4,000. Property must be well improved and loan not over 50 per cent of value. C. O. Frye, 511 Washington avenue. 121t3

SUCCESSFUL INSTITUTE HELD BY THE TEACHERS

Inspectors Appointed for New County Bridge

Will Act in Conjunction With Men Named From Allegheny County.

Upon petition of John A. Berry, Thomas Hill and W. J. Smith, county commissioners, the court has appointed John F. Cooper, E. C. Niver and Theodore J. Allen inspectors to act in conjunction with inspectors appointed by the court of Allegheny county for the inspection of the new Monongahela bridge and to make a concurrent report thereof to the courts of Washington and Allegheny counties.

COMPANY CENSURED

Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Blamed for Wreck Last Week.

WILL REPORT CONDITIONS

At the coroner's inquest Saturday the headon collision on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad at West Alexander Wednesday of last week when three trainmen met death, the company was censured and a recommendation was made that conditions on the division between Pittsburg and Wheeling be reported to the State Railroad Commission.

Conductors J. C. McCann, and Engineer C. D. Bolton were excused from criminal liability, but were reproved for pulling their freight train from the siding at Claysville when they had but bare running time to reach the West Alexander siding. It was testified that freight crews on the Baltimore and Ohio were sent out practically on their own responsibility in reference to the meeting and passing of passenger trains. General Superintendent E. C Peck of this division of the road was one of the witnesses.

CHORAL CLUB PLANS TO GIVE RECITAL

The Charleroi Choral Society, of which W. S. James is director, is planning for a recital to be given sometime in April, and work has been begun on some of the music. The recital will be something different from anything ever heard here. The program will be adapted to best please a Charleroi audience, selections of the most classical kind to be blended evenly with selections of the lesser calssical nature to well balance the entire list.

A canvas for new singers has been started and it is expected that the society will be greatly increased in numbers. Jospeh Kenyon is the president and Miss Helen Woodhall the secretary. The meeting this week will be held on Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of W. S. James, the regular meeting place, the Methodist church is holding evangelistic services this week.

Many Important Topics Discussed by Instructors in Local Schools.

ANOTHER ONE FOR APRIL

Pragram Simular to That of Saturday will be Rendered—to Interest Parents.

The institute held by the Charleroi teachers at the School Hall Saturday afternoon and evening was remarkably successful, and while there was not the outside interest that might have been shown those who were present gleaned many new ideas in the lines of school work from the various educational talks that were given by the teachers. The afternoon session was held at 2 o'clock. The evening session was at 7:30 o'clock. Music was furnished Prof. I. T. Daniel, the High School Girls Choral Club and two pupils of the lower grades which enlivened the program. The afternoon program was as follows:

AFTEROON SESSION.

Instrumental Solo—Miss Liela Orange.

"Essentials in Arithmetic"—Miss Ida Hugg.

"Teaching Arithmetic in the Grades"—Miss Della Swan.

"Story Telling in Primary Language"—Miss Grace Zillafro.

Song—High School Girls Choral Club.

"The Language Problem in the Grades"—Miss Bertha Oller.

"Expression in Reading"—Miss Clara Cooper.

Reading—Miss Mary Lewis.

"Getting the Thought While Reading"—Miss Nelle Hopkins.

"How to Make a Good Speller"—Miss Mayme McGee.

Song—High School Girls Choral Club.

EVENING SESSION.

Piano Solo—Miss Lottie Hough.

"To What Extent Should Supplementary work be Carried in the Grades—Miss Mary Kelley.

"How to Read"—Miss Nora Swan.

"Number Work in the First and Second Grades"—Miss Martha Taggart.

"English Compositions as a Means of Acquiring Power"—Miss Mary Walters.

Vocal Solo—Prof. I. T. Daniel.

"How to Study and Teach Geography"—Mrs. Fannie Fonner.

Reading—Miss Nina Houseman.

"The Mission of Music in the Public Schools"—Prof. I. T. Daniels.

"How to Develop Rapid Readers"—Miss Edith Woodhall.

Piano Solo—Miss Lottie Hough.

Song—"America."

Arrangements are beirg made for another institute similar to the one held Saturday by the teachers, during the month of April. The topics of discussion will be along school work, and special features will be introduced that will be of interest to parents and other.

Received Handsome Medal.

Major Gustav Schaaf of Donora, Sons of Veterans Reserve, has been presented with a handsome gold medal by the commander of the Pennsylvania Division, S. of V., in recognition of his services for the order. It is in pendant form and upon the bar is engraved the Major's name. The pendant is in the shape of a keystone, with crossed sabers, and enamelled letters, "S. of V., Camp 86."

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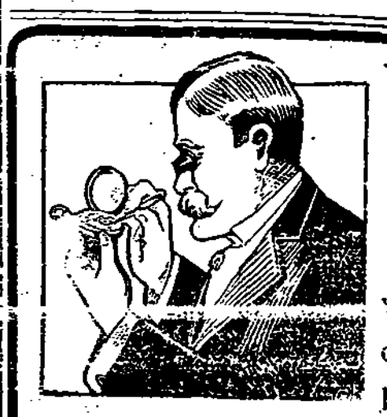

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Jan. 10 In American History.

1863—Lyman Beecher, father of the famous family, died; born 1775.

1893—Benjamin Franklin Butler, soldier and statesman, died; born 1818

1906—Dr. William Rainey Harper, noted Hebrew scholar and president of the University of Chicago, died; born 1856.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 4:48, rises 7:20; moon rises 8 a. m.; 6:43 a. m., eastern time, new moon with the sun in constellation Sagittarius; 7:06 a. m., moon in conjunction with Uranus, passing from west to east of the planet.

Only One Way.

With butter at 43 cents a pound in the local market, pork higher in price than at any time since the Civil War, and all other necessaries of life rising in proportion, investigation by Government officials as to the cause of these abnormal prices are to be instituted. As the Connellsville Courier aptly remarks, there is but one remedy, and that is for the people to farm more—to engage in producing the staples that are commanding such high prices until production out-runs the consumption.

Because of a decrease in the production of farm products the middle man is enabled to secure a larger profit. People who used to rise their own garden truck now purchase it all, and it has to be shipped in from a distance. By this method the middlemen are enabled to control the handling of the produce, and to fix prices to a certain extent. There is no way to prevent this until the supply exceed the demand, and the only way to bring this condition about is for everybody who can to engage in gardening.

State Sewerage.

The plan suggested by the Mail that a State system of sewerage and sewage disposal be inaugurated for the entire Monongahela valley, rural sections as well as towns and boroughs, seems to meet favor elsewhere. In view of the decision of the State Board of Health to prevent the running of sewage into the streams and rivers, every town and city will be obliged to construct a sewage disposal plant.

This matter has been taken up in the vicinity of Pittsburg, where it is suggested that the entire district cooperate in the movement. This scheme could be made to embrace the entire Monongahela valley within the county limits, and a uniform system adopted by the State that would take in rural sections between the towns along the river. This is a project that should command State aid the same as the construction of highways. Such a uniform system of sewarage and disposal ought to be inaugurated in every important water shed, and the people should insist upon State aid and supervision.

A Promising Outlook.

The big gain in coal lockages from the fourth pool last year over those of the preceding year, is but one of the many indications of the rising tide of prosperity. While the traffic did not reach that of the banner year, 1907, the large gain is indicitive of the better employment of labor that has prevailed during the last year. In spite of the increased activity on all sides, some branches of trade were slow to respond to the reaction, and this gave rise to the feeling that business recovery was more apparent than real. This, however, has been dispelled by the gains in bank deposits, railroad traffic and the river traffic just shown.

Locally the coming year should be one of great industrial and commercial promise. The cold, winter weather has stimulated trade in seasonable goods, and merchants generally are optimistic as to the future. There is a general belief that the mining scale will be amicably adjusted, and that the coming season will enable most of the business interests to recoup themselves from the effects of the depression of the past.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

The price of diamonds has advanced along with those of pork, flour and other staples. Hereafter girls owning April as their birth-month may not be so dead sure of getting nice rings for their birthdays.

Mayor Gaynor of New York is gaining a reputation right off for making freak appointments. The strange part of it is that he actually shows some good sense in his freakishness.

What good does a Carnegie medal do a man after he's dead?

An old story is just as good as a new one if the man telling it can make the one hearing it only think so.

Insubordination may now be termed Pinchotness, and treated like a disease.

The lecturer who said that the pulpit is obsolete is probably angry because he cannot draw a crowd to hear his oratorial spasms.

Mrs T. P. O'Connor says that a suffragist is a persuader and a suffragette is a soldier. Inasmuch as both get arrested occasionally, it would doubtless be better to stick to the sure phrase "suffragerre."

In Atlantic City a magistrate and his constable were caught in a raid on gamblers There will probably be justice dealt out to the justice now.

Will some one kindly inform us how the lid is now at Atlantic City? We haven't heard of it for some time.

If Americans expect to find the South Pole they had better get a move on. Lieutenant Shackelton of Great Britian has announced that he will hike for that territory as soon as possible.

ALLENPORT JUSTICE OF THE PEACE DIES

Allen Byles, a late justice of the peace at Allenport, died at his home in Allenport on Saturday, aged about 50 years. The funeral was held on Sunday from the late home. Interment was in Mt. Tabor cemetery. The deceased who was a well known citizen is survived by his wife and two children.

Temporary Clerk.

County Recorder J. C. Sutherland has announced that Miss Mary B. Page of Clarion, would at once take up her duties in the recorder's office as temporary index clerk. Miss Page is an expert in this work and has for ten years been associated with G. S. White of Franklin, the inventor of the system of indexing used in this county for the past ten years. Miss Page will remain in the recorder's office until the selection of a permanent index clerk has been fully determined.

Booze Sellers Sentenced.

Mike Hortis, Henry Burren alias Brun, and George Gourand, all of the Westland and Houston section, recently rounded up for illegal liquor selling, entered pleas of guilty Friday afternoon. They were each directed to pay the costs, fine of $500 and to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period of three months.

A PRECOCIOUS DOG.

The Wonderful Feats He Performed For Joseph Jefferson.

There is a story that is told of Joseph Jefferson and the boys that had to do with the training of dogs. It appears that there was a gentleman in New York who owned a very intelligent animal, and he was most anxious for Mr. Jefferson to see an example of his prowess. Accordingly he brought him to the island one day and put him through his various tricks, which were remarkably clever.

When the performance was over Mr. Jefferson expressed his appreciation and wonder at what the dog had done, but added that he had an animal that was even more remarkable. As the gentleman seemed to be in some doubt as to the truth of this statement the dog, a dejected, stupid looking beast, was produced, and Mr. Jefferson ordered him to go into his room and bring him a shoe.

Obediently the dog trotted into the house to presently reappear with the shoe in his mouth. Taking it from him, Mr. Jefferson patted him upon the head and told him to return to his room and bring him the slipper for his left foot.

"And, mind you, bring the left one," he cautioned as the animal trotted away.

When he returned in a moment with the left slipper the gentleman could hardly express his astonishment, but Mr. Jefferson waved the matter indifferently aside.

"It is nothing," said he. "However, we will now try something a little more difficult." Then, turning to the dog, he spoke to him very slowly and carefully. "Now go into the library," said he, "look upon the bottom shelf on the right hand side of the room and you will see a set of Dickens. Bring me the second volume. Remember, now, the second volume; not the first or the third, but the second."

When the dog returned in a few moments with the second volume in his mouth the gentleman retired in the utmost confusion, declaring that in comparison with such a prodigy his own much vaunted animal was little better than an imbecile.

And I may add that Mr. Jefferson enjoyed the joke fully as much as did the boys, who, according to a prearranged plan, had placed each successive article in the prodigy's mouth. As to the prodigy, his one accomplishment consisted of trotting into the house and trotting out of it again.—Nevil G. Henshaw in Bohemian.

Table Mountain.

At Capetown, in South Africa, where the traveler usually has the first glimpse of the continent, is Table mountain, a magnificent natural curiosity which rises behind the city to the height of almost 4,000 feet and has a level top about three square miles in area. Its resemblance to a huge table is so marked that the dense clouds which collect at times around the summit are referred to as the tablecloth. A pretty little flower which is found nowhere else on earth grows on top, while on the northern side of its base is a similarly rare tree, popularly called the silver leaf tree.

The Slow One.

"Would you," he said after they had been sitting in the dark for a long time, "be angry with me if I were to kiss you?"

She was silent for a moment. Then in tones the meaning of which was not to be mistaken she replied:

"Why do you suppose I turned down the light an hour and a half ago?"

And yet he wondered, poor fool, how other young men who had started far in the rear were able to pass him in the race of life.

A Chronic Grumbler.

Charles Lamb tells of a chronic grumbler who always complained at whist because he had so few trumps. By some artifice his companions managed to fix the cards so that when he dealt he got the whole thirteen, hoping to extort some expression of satisfaction, but he only looked more wretched than ever as he examined his hand.

"Well, Tom," said Lamb, "haven't you trumps enough this time?"

"Yes," grunted Tom, "but I've no other cards."

Not Desired.

Having at enormous pains got her length, breadth and thickness about right, the woman heaved a sigh of relief. "No fourth dimension in mine, if you please!" she exclaimed, with unmistakable feeling.

Some aver that the feminine mind is not attracted by metaphysics anyway!—Puck.

Precedent.

"Will that young man ever go home?" demanded the irritated head of the house.

"I guess so, father," replied the maiden. "He always has gone."—Washington Herald.

A Good Guess.

"Does your father know you smoke, little boy?" asked the inquisitive stranger.

"I guess not," replied the bad boy. "He doesn't lock up his cigars."—Detroit Free Press.

A Useless Rule.

He (teaching her bridge)—When in doubt it's a good rule to play trumps. She—But that's just it; when I'm in doubt I don't know what the trump is.—Philadelphia Record.

Even when a woman thinks she is worth her weight in gold she would hate to get too stout.—Philadelphia Record

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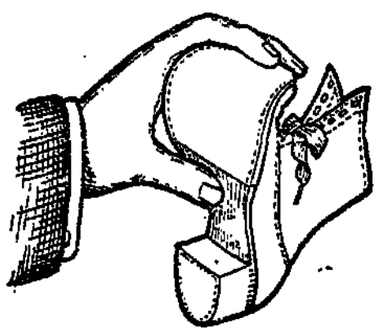

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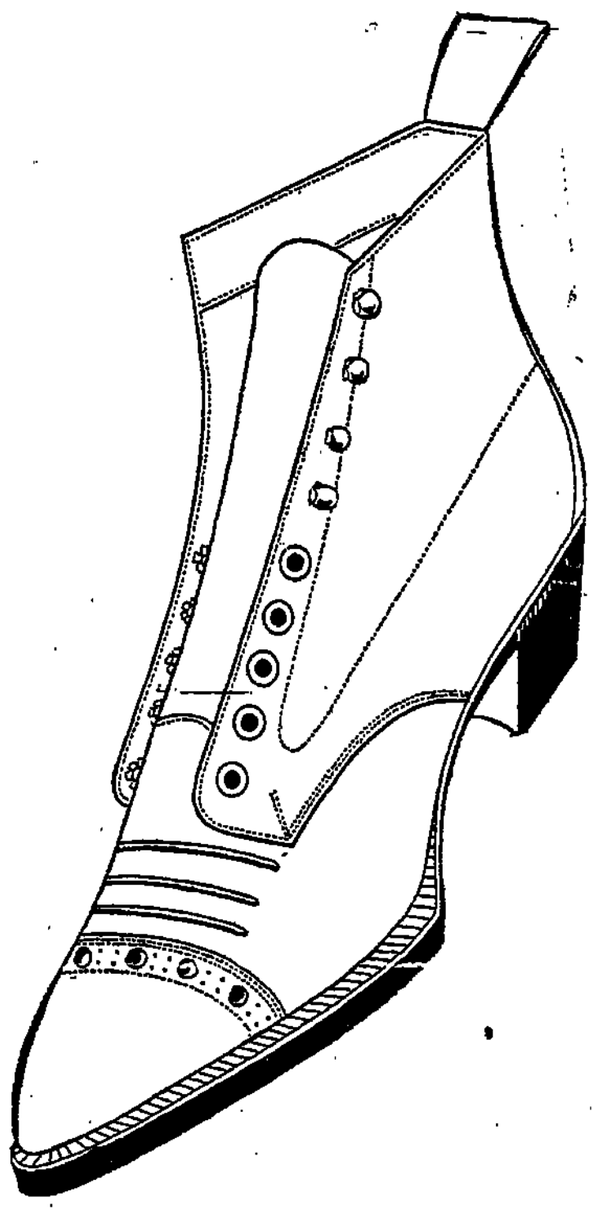

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THE RUSSIAN MODEL

By EDMOND COMPTON.

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Spencer Fiske at twenty-one, though the possessor of a fortune, did not propose to lead an idle life. He laid out a European trip for himself to last one year, at the end of which time he would return, spend three years in the study of the law, after which he would practice the profession for the rest of the period allotted him on earth. The most practical part of his scheme was to marry at the time he began his work. He believed in marriage as necessary to a complete life and that it should be entered upon with one's judgment well in hand—not dazed by the glamour of the senses.

Six months after forming his plan he found himself one summer morning in St. Petersburg dawdling through a picture gallery, when he came upon a painting the subject of which was a village festival in Russian rural life. The central figure was a girl apparently about fifteen, with beautiful blue eyes, light hair and a delicious smile on two lips nestling between dimples.

Fiske gazed long on the scene, taking it in as a whole and in part, his eyes always returning to the central figure. He went to other rooms, but returned before leaving the gallery to gaze upon the laughing face of innocence. Nor was this all; he returned every day for a week—sometimes twice a day, each time to gaze upon the face that charmed him. One day while thus engaged a man stepped up to him and said in French:

"You seem pleased with my work."

"Your work?"

"Yes; I painted it."

"Where did you find your model for the central figure?"

"In Siberia. I am a traveler as well as painter. I found her in a small village. She is the daughter of a peasant."

A week later Fiske was on a train bound for Siberia. A desire to see the original of the festival scene had taken possession of him, and he saw no reason why it should not be gratified. Reaching the village, he sought the girl and found her in a dooryard spinning. She had grown a year older than when the picture was painted, with a slight budding of her beauty. Fiske knew only a few phrases of Russian, but they sufficed to convey to her the information that he had seen her face on canvas and had come to view the original.

However practical a young man may be, there is one thing about which he is usually stupidly impractical—a young girl's heart. Fiske was insensible to the effect his statement was likely to produce. He was often more stupid than this. He did not know that he had fallen in love with a pretty face. But he found it out all on a sudden, for the girl told him that he had arrived in time to see her married. There was in this wireless message something like the clutching of cold fingers about his heart. With his lips he told her that he was fortunate; with his eyes he told her that he had met with a sudden disappointment. Then she told him that the match had been arranged by her parents.

A few days later he went to view the ceremony. He found the bride in a tent surrounded by her girl friends. On asking where was the groom he was told that he would soon appear, and it was further explained that as soon as the bride saw him she would run away. The groom would follow and must catch her before he could be permitted to marry her. This was the custom in that part of Siberia.

Presently a young man was seen approaching. The girls told the bride that the groom was coming and, leaving the tent, she ran like a fawn to elude him. The man found himself tripped and balked at every turn. Fiske in order to get a better view went up on to a rise in the ground. The girl was giving her intended mate a hard run. The American looked on with a wildly throbbing pulse, and once when the lover was about to grasp the prize his heart stood still. With a quick turn she avoided her pursuer and came running toward the point where Fiske was standing. As she passed him she looked at him. What her eyes said no one except the two knew, but they must have said something of importance, for Fiske gave a quick turn, advanced a few steps, stopped, then suddenly started after the beautiful fugitive.

There was a clamor among the lookers-on, but the American did not hear it. The groom, seeing another chasing his bride, stopped a moment in wonder, then went on as if a fury was spurring him. The girl looked back and, seeing herself doubly pursued, sped on as if on the wings of the wind. One would have thought she sought to elude them both. Fiske, being the fresher of the two, soon gained. Then when the girl saw that he led she lagged and in a few minutes more dropped into his arms.

Thus it was that Spencer Fiske, who had laid out a life plan in which marriage was to be entered upon with circumspection, found himself the possessor of a Russian peasant girl whom he had caught in a race with the man to whom she was betrothed.

The pair were at once surrounded by several hundred people, all talking at once, the father of the girl more furiously than all the rest. The intended groom disappeared. Finally an interpreter was secured, and Fiske proposed that the girl be sent to school for three years at his expense. The proposition was accepted, and at the end of the term he married her at the time he had intended taking a wife on the common sense plan.

BURMA CIGARETTES.

One Will Last a Smoker, or Maybe an Entire Family, a Day.

The American engineer home for a visit from Burma accepted a proffered cigarette and rolled it gently between his fingers.

"At the risk of seeming ungrateful," he said, "I rise to remark that the specimen you have so kindly tendered me strikes my acquired sense of the fitness of such things as highly inadequate. Merely as to size, I mean.

"The cigarette of Burma is a remarkable contrivance, ranging in length from a foot to a foot and a half, an inch in diameter and not unlike a giant firecracker in general shape. If composed wholly of tobacco it would be deadly. As a matter of fact, it contains very little tobacco. It is made of cornhusk or leaves of innocuous plants rolled tight and with shreds of the divine weed between the layers. One will last a smoker for a day, frequently an entire family for a day.

"The women of Burma, the most handsome and intelligent of their sex in the east, smoke these cigarettes habitually. It is something of a shock when the visitor first sees a pretty woman puffing at one of these enormous cylinders. It is still more of a shock if she is carrying a youngster astride her hip in approved native fashion. Between puffs she offers her cigarette to the child, who never refuses the invitation.

"As to effect, the Burmese cigarettes are practically harmless. As to flavor, they are insipid and unpleasant."—New York Herald.

RISEN FROM THE TOMB.

The Romance of Benedello Marcello, the Venetian Composer.

Benedello Marcello, one of the most famous Venetian composers, fell in love with a beautiful girl named Leonora Manfrotti, who married Paolo Seranzo, a Venetian noble. She died a short time after her marriage, a victim to the harsh and jealous treatment of her husband.

Her body was laid out in state in the church of Wel Frari, and her lover actually succeeded in stealing the corpse and conveying it to a ruined crypt in one of the islands, and here he sat day and night by his lost love, singing and playing to her, as though by the force of his art he could recall her to life.

Leonora had a twin sister, Eliade, who was so like her that her closest friends could scarcely distinguish them. One day Eliade heard a singer in a gondola singing so exquisitely that she traced the gondola to the deserted island, and there she learned later the fate of her sister's corpse and the identity of Marcello. Aided by a servant, Eliade substituted herself for her sister's body, and when Marcello returned and called Leonora to awake he did not ask in vain, for apparently she rose alive from the coffin. Marcello when he found out the delusion was quite satisfied and married Eliade, but his happiness was short lived, as he died a few years afterward.—London Telegraph.

Whoever Loves Is Never Old.

When life has been well spent age is a loss of what it can well spare—muscular strength, organic instincts, gross bulk and works that belong to these. But the central wisdom which was old in infancy was young in fourscore years and, dropping off obstructions, leaves in happy subjects the mind purified and wise. I have heard that whoever loves is in no condition old. I have heard that whenever the name of man is spoken the doctrine of immortality is announced. It cleaves to his constitution. The mode of it baffles our wit, and no whisper comes to us from the other side. But the inference from the working of intellect, having knowledge, having skill—at the end of life just ready to be born—affirms the inspiration of affection and of the moral sentiment.—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

A Mother's Troubles.

The mother of a large family fell ill and died, and the attending physician reported that she died of starvation. It was incredible, but he proved it. The woman had to get the dinner and then spend the next two hours in waiting on the family and getting the children to the table. It was never on record that she got all of them there at the same time, and they came straggling in all the way from potatoes to pie. By the time she had wiped the last face her own hunger had left her and she had no desire to eat. Chickens, the doctor said, come running at feed time, but children don't. A hen has a better chance to eat than a mother.—Atchison Globe.

A Trying Time.

"Colonel," asked the beautiful girl, "when was the most trying moment of your life?"

"It was when I went to my wife's father for the purpose of asking him to let me have her. He was very deaf, and I had to explain the matter before twenty clerks."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Particular.

Patience—Peggy is terribly afraid of microbes.

Patrice—Funny she'll allow any of the young men to kiss her.

"Oh, she'll only kiss by telephone!"—Yonkers Statesman.

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While many Shoe Stores are wondering what to do between the outgoings of winter and the incoming of spring, this store always does something that keeps trade active.

Our business methods necessitates close selling, small profits always, and sometimes a loss—rather than carry goods to another season. When business lags, we make it go.

THAT'S THE PRESENT SITUATION

We've considered the matter well and have decided that it will be good business on our part to close out every shoe in the store at some price. This is an ad you can trust from a store you can trust, so get into line for your share of the good things—Read!

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LOCAL NOTES

Brief Mention of People and Events in this Community.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brosier of Marianna were visitors with friends in Charleroi Saturday evening, and attended the teachers institute held on Saturday at School Hall. Mrs. Brosier was formerly Miss Nevada Iams, a teacher in the Charleroi schools.

Mrs. John Redlingshafer and children spent Sunday in California with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McKean and children spent Sunday in Pittsburg with relatives.

Mrs. E. M. Chalfant and Mrs J. L. Reeves were in Brownsville Sunday to see Miss Rebecca Chalfant, who is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lambert and daughters Hazeldel and Alberta spent Sunnday in Pittsburg with friends.

Logan Wingett was a Sunday visitor in Brownsville with friends.

Cardon Jimeson, after spending the holiday vacation with his parents, Mr and Mrs. W. W. Jimeson of Lincoln avenue, left this morning for Mercersburg, where he is a student at the Mercersburg Academy.

Henry McDermott went to Homestead this morning on a business trip.

Jospeh Henrokin of Chicago, Ill, has come to Charleroi where he will be employed.

Mr. and Mrs J. E. Abell, L. H. Reeves, and son Henry were in Charleroi yesterday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar R. Abell of Crest avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Herman of Girard, Ohio, after a visit of several days here with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hepler, of Washington avenue, left today for their home.

Charles W. Hepler of Washington spent Sunday in Charleroi with his brother, J. A. Hepler.

Elizabeth W. Davis, 10 month old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Davis of 1107 Meadow avenue, died this morning at 7:30 o'clock. The funeral will be held from the residence on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock conducted by Rev. G. G. Skinner of the A. M. E. church. Interment in the Charleroi cemetery.

Good Bill Promised.

This week at the Star Theatre a big bill is promised. The first three days Wood's Trio a big musical act and the Cook Duo, darkey and maid will appear. Both are said to be exceptionally fine.

This Small World.

"About ten years ago, when I was living in a village in Illinois," said the red headed man, "I had business to call me to London. My getting ready for the trip was the talk of the place, and a day or two before I started I was visited by a farmer who was an Englishman and who said:

"'If you are going to London would you mind seeing my brother Jim and telling him his brother Tom over here is well and doing well and wants him to write oftener?'

"'What is your brother's other name?' I asked.

"'Smith, sir—Jim Smith.'

"I told him I would keep an eye out for the Smith family, and he thanked me and withdrew. In due time I arrived in London from Liverpool, and as I took a cab at the depot I queried of the driver:

"'Do you happen to know any one in London named Smith?'

"'I'm a Smith myself, sir,' he replied.

"'But a Jim Smith.'

"'I'm a Jim Smith.'

"'But a Jim Smith who has got a brother Tom in America.'

"'I've got one, sir.'

"'But a Jim Smith whose brother Tom in America is a farmer in Illinois and wants to be written to oftener.'

"'That's me again, sir, and here's the proof of it. I'm just going to mail him this 'ere letter.'

"'And hang me if he didn't show me a letter ready for mailing and prove his case on the spot. He was the first man I had spoken to in London, and he was the Jim Smith I had been told to look out for.'—Chattanooga Times

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Apothecal Time.

An English firm, Higgins & Dodd, finding that there were twelve letters in their name, placed a great clock over their door with the letters on its face instead of numerals.

They waited anxiously for days, weeks, hoping for some return, but not a soul took notice of the clock. At last, amid excitement behind the office window, a man was seen to halt in the street and gaze at the clock, puzzled.

Slowly he came to the door, entered and drawled, "Say, is it half past Higgins or a quarter to Dodd?"—T. P.'s Weekly.

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NOISY WEDDINGS.

Boisterous Prelude to Marriages in Old Rothenburg.

They love music in Rothenburg, and it is an incident of most functions, public and private. In front of the rathhaus, when wedding formalities are going on inside, hired musicians loudly drum and trumpet, whereat the people come running from all directions, for a wedding is not carried on with the quietness which would please the shy and retiring. Marriage is a sacrament neither lightly nor secretly entered into.

On the night before the wedding it is considered de regueur to hurl old pots and pans against the house of the bride with boisterous good wishes, and without these delicate attentions a bride would really feel slighted. Her two best friends wait upon her during the din and give her a wreath and a veil and some verses composed in her honor, and that the verses are curiously like those offered to brides in the past, except for necessary change of name, is not at all a drawback. Weddings are usually on Tuesdays, and they take from 7 o'clock in the morning till 4 or 5 o'clock in the afternoon, including the time at the town hall. At the home there will likely be a play given in which are set forth the supposed foibles of the bride and groom, and some friend, masquerading as a gypsy, will come in and give whatever kind of prophecy best accords with his wits.—Robert Shackleton in Harper's Magazine.

MEXICANS' STAFF OF LIFE.

The Tortilla Is Their Bread—Frijoles Are Boiled Beans.

The tortilla is the ancient Indian bread of Mexico. Its only constituent is Indian corn (maize), which the women soak in limewater until the kernels are at the point of bursting, then wash thoroughly until it is free from lime, when they grind it by rubbing it on a large block of stone, especially cut for the purpose, with a smaller stone which they hold in their hands.

The operation looks very much like rubbing clothes on a washboard and is a laborious and tedious one. The lime renders the corn dough adhesive like wheat flour dough, and it is easily patted between the hands into cakes the size and shape of an ordinary griddlecake and is baked upon a thin stone griddle. Though no salt or leaven is added, fresh tortillas are exceedingly palatable.

The one other food mainstay is frijoles—ordinary beans. They are boiled to a mush and with a liberal quantity of lard are warmed as required in a flat earthen dish that answers for a frying pan. The very poor people do not always have the luxury of frijoles and when they do have them cannot always afford the lard.—New York Sun.

YANKEE WIT.

Lincoln Said He Always Admired and Coveted It.

Alban Jasper Conant, the artist, in telling of his experience in painting a portrait of Lincoln said:

"Yankee wit was mentioned at one of the sittings, and Lincoln said, 'That is something I always admired and coveted.' Some one said, 'Why, you certainly have the credit of possessing it in large measure.' 'No,' said Lincoln, 'not the genuine. I don't remember that I ever got credit for it but once.' Then he told how, hurrying once through a courtroom, he was ordered by the judge to defend a prisoner accused of assault and battery. A witness was just testifying that the complainant had been fought all over a field. 'On cross examination,' said Lincoln, 'I asked him, "How large was that field—twenty acres?" "No," he replied. "Ten acres?" "No." "Were there two acres?" I persisted. "Yes, just about two," he agreed. "And you saw him fight this man all over the field?" pointing to the prisoner. "Yes, sir." "Well, sir," I said, "did you ever see a fight before that turned out so little to the acre?" The witness admitted, with a grin, that he had not the judge smiled, and the jury snickered. So, saying that as this crop was so poor it did not seem worth further cultivation, I submitted the case. Some of my friends said it was Yankee wit, but that was the only time I ever got credit for it. I wish I had it.'"—McClure's Magazine.

A Cowboy Spider.

"Faking aside," said the nature student, "there is in New Zealand a cowboy spider. This creature throws a coil of web like a lasso over its prey's head, then adds more and more coils and when the prey is bound hand and foot devours it.

"There is a Borneo spider that in the spring days plays a fiddle. It is a common thing for a lovesick spider to dance before his girl, but this Borneo boy my drawing his arm across his tum produces a sweet, clear note. Whenever he sees a good looking young lady spider he stops and gives her a tune, hoping to win her by music."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Miners' Freedom From Cancer.

"Miners never have cancer. In thirty-five years' practice in a mining town I haven't had a single cancerous patient."

"And to what, doctor, do you impute this immunity?"

"Miners are singularly cleanly. They bathe every day. They rarely smoke. They are a temperate and regular-set. Above all"—

The physician smiled grimly.

"Miners," he said, "die young. Cancer is an old age disease. And there really is the reason of the miner's cancerous immunity."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

RELIGIOUS THOUGHT.

Gems Gleaned From the Teachings of All Denominations.

To be right with God is the same in earth that it is in heaven, whatever and wherever heaven may be.—Rev. Amos Judson Bailey, Reformed, Brooklyn.

Expectancy.

One of the principal elements of faith that makes for health as well as character is the mood of expectancy.—Rev. P. P. Womer, Congregationalist, Minneapolis, Minn.

Enjoying Divine Communion.

As long as any Christian walks in loving obedience to every commandment of his Saviour he will enjoy communion with his God.—Rev. C. H. Dunlap, Presbyterian, Avalon, Pa.

Loving Attitude.

A loving attitude toward men will never be guilty either of contemptuous criticism or of irresponsible indifference. The world is ever envious of success and contemptuous of failure.—Rev. I. P. Johnson, Presbyterian, Minneapolis, Minn.

Responsibility to God.

It is the thought of God, the conscious recognition of responsibility to God, that alone gives peace of heart and happiness to the individual and stability and greatness to the nation.—Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, Congregationalist, Brooklyn.

One of God's Finest Gifts.

A true friend is one of God's finest gifts. To him we reveal the secrets of our heart. When trouble comes we look most eagerly for his coming. When some new great joy has come within our experience we go first to tell it and share it with him.—Rev. Dr. Robert Kent, Congregationalist, Brooklyn.

Real Power of Christ's Resurrection.

Whenever a human soul goes to seek a crucified Jesus and finds instead a risen Saviour the event of Easter day is repeated and the joy of the angelic message is shared once again. The real power of the resurrection lies in the spiritual experience, not in the historical fact.—Rev. Percy Trafford Olton, Episcopalian, Greene N. Y.

Life's True Master and Guide.

Love is the true master and guide of life, and it is but a reflection of the infinite and eternal love, whose supremest manifestation was on Calvary in the cross of the Man of Sorrows. Trusting in that love is to find assurance of a brightness beyond which the shadows of the tomb cannot dim.—Rev. Dr. Samuel Van Vranken Holmes, Presbyterian, Buffalo.

The Truly Happy.

Happiness is not found where the world has always thought it was, in material things, in the alteration or the mitigation of earthly conditions, but in heavenly dispositions. It is the poor in spirit, the meek, the pure hearted, the earnest seeker after righteousness or the patient sufferer for it who are the truly happy.—Rev. Colin Campbell Walker, Episcopalian, Brooklyn.

Religious Charity.

Religious sentiment is very beautiful, but religious sense is much more valuable and religious charity better yet. It is folly to talk of the negligence and improvidence of the poor while they feel the pangs of want. Any man is more ready to listen to good sense when he has had enough to eat. Feed them first, then talk—if you must.—Rev. John B. Clayton, Baptist, Washington.

Man's Need.

What man wants is not the treatment of the lost coin that puts him into circulation in the economy of the world, not the treatment of the lost sheep that folds him in the higher human sympathies, but the treatment of the lost son that brings him back to the open arms of God, to the sonship of the Maker and an heir, a joint heir, with Jesus Christ.—Rev. Dr. Gardner S. Eldridge, Methodist, Brooklyn.

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